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Attorney General John Ashcroft
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft,

This Microsoft lawsuit has dragged on long enough. I understand that we are now in the public comment period of this lawsuit and, hopefully, once that is done, this ill-advised lawsuit will be as well.

I have heard that there are various Microsoft detractors that want this lawsuit continued on the federal level and so will try to find some way to derail the settlement. I am respectfully asking that you resist these efforts, stay the course for the Justice Department, and continue to guide this settlement to a successful end.

Microsoft has no doubt done many things that have rankled their competitors, but these are not enough to have brought about the wrath of the entire federal judicial system. Now that this settlement has been reached, we should accept it and move on. There simply are too many other more important issues that need our attention than this. Thank you.

Sincerely,



John Allabashi